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"Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel." (**Isaiah 41:14**)

Our church gathers together in New Caney, Texas at 23033 Hughey Ave, 77357 / (832) 543 5333

Bible Classes	Sun, 10 AM
Worship Service	Sun, 11 AM
Bible Study	Wed, 7 PM

Nursery available for 4 years old and younger

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in New Caney, Texas

Servicio en español domingo 6:00 PM y martes 7:00 PM

[Reader] there never will be, there never can be, a particle of creature work or merit in sanctification. Nothing will do but the finished work of Christ. The hope of any betterness in self must go before we have any manifesting hope in Christ. When the Lord is pleased to bring manifesting sanctification into your conscience, you will know something of being drawn by the cords of a man, and with the bands of love. When your vows fail, when your promises fail, and all seems to fail, then you will know something of being sanctified in Christ Jesus and that there is no holiness but in and from HIM. **WG**

WELCOME

Sinners are welcome at our church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you'll soon discover we're an imperfect church, with an imperfect pastor, yet by God's underserved grace, we preach, believe, and know the perfect gospel of our never failing Lord Jesus Christ. Reader, we call His name JESUS for HE SHALL (not might, not maybe) rather HE SHALL save His people from their sins. And beloved believing sinner you already know it – you are complete in Him, saved to the uttermost.

We are situated 1 mile south of the Denny's Restaurant located right by the corner of US Highway 59 and State Highway 242.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday!
Walter Groover - June 25th

WEBSITES

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Saved by Christ

"…call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins" (**Matthew 1:21**)

If salvation depends upon our being or doing anything, we shall inevitably be lost. Thank God, it does not; for the great fundamental principle of the Gospel is that Christ is all; man is nothing. It is not a mixture of Christ and man – it is all of Christ.

The peace of the Gospel does not rest in part on Christ's work and in part on man's work; it rests wholly on Christ's work, because that work is perfect – perfect forever, and it renders all who put their trust in Him as perfect as Himself! Christ must either be a whole Saviour or no saviour at all. The moment a man says, "Except you [do] this or that, you cannot be saved," he totally subverts the Gospel; for in the Gospel I find Christ coming down to me just as I am—a lost, guilty, self-destroyed sinner; and coming, moreover, with a full remission of all my sins, and a full salvation from my lost estate, all perfectly wrought by Himself on the cross. – **C.H. Mackintosh**

This is My Confession

"…God be merciful to me a sinner" (**Luke 18:13**)

This is my confession: I am a sinner, nothing else: I have never done or thought even one truly righteous and holy thing, and never can while in this mortal frame. My only hope is God's free grace in Christ. My only grounds of acceptance with God is the righteousness and shed blood of Christ, the sinner's Substitute. The only righteousness I have is the righteousness of Christ, his obedience to God as my Substitute. The only atonement I have for all my sin is Christ's precious blood poured out by the sword of divine justice at Calvary, when he who knew no sin was made sin for me. The only holiness I have is that new man in me created by God in righteousness and true holiness, Christ Jesus. – **Don Fortner**

Feelings or Faith?

"…if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things" (**1 John 3:20**)

[Beloved], mere feeling and sentimentality can never rise above the source from whence they come, and that source is self; but faith has to do with God and His eternal Word and is a living link, connecting the heart that has it with God who gives it. Human feelings, however intense, human sentiments, however refined, could not connect the soul with God. They are neither divine nor eternal, but are human and fleeting. They are like Jonah's gourd, which sprang up in a night and perished in a night. Not so faith! That precious principle partakes of all the value, all the power, and all the reality of the source from which it springs and the object with which it has to do. It justifies the soul (Romans 5:1); it purifies the heart (Acts 15:9); it works by love (Galatians 5:6); and it overcomes the world (1 John 5:4). Feelings are occupied with self; faith is occupied with Christ. Feelings look inward; faith looks outward. Feelings leave the soul in doubt; faith leads it into peace. Feeling has to do with one's own fluctuating condition; faith has to do with Christ's enduring sacrifice and God's truth.– **C.H. Mackintosh**

The Power of God Unto Salvation

"…the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth…" (**Romans 1:16**)

If you are going to command a lame man to take the first step…if you are going to call upon dead sinners to live…if you are going to insist that a maniac make a right decision…you'd better have a Gospel that is the power of God unto salvation, or else you mock the souls of men. You had better be speaking for the One, of the One, and with the power and blessing of the One Who is able to save to the uttermost those who come unto God by Him. Salvation is not in the ability of the preacher, nor is it contingent upon what men will do, but it is sure to all of God's elect, because of Christ and what He did do. Christ does not taunt the lame with the bargain that if they will only take a step, He will save them. He saves them, by the preaching of the Gospel, and then they leap and shout and praise God.– **Chris Cunningham**